I.C.P.O. Calendar

06-14 October 2005

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (Oct 06 - 14, 2005)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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06/10/2005: Georg, DK7LX, will be QRV October 6-12th as DK7LX/p from Foehr Island (IOTA EU-042 GIA/DID N-17). Activity will be mainly CW, with multiband vertical antenna. QSL via home call. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

06/10/2005: Look for GW3TJE/p to be active October 6th from the following references for the SOTA (Summits on the Air) award located in the South Wales Region: Mynydd Uchaf summit [358m] (SOTA SW-031) at 09:30 UTC; Mynydd Uchaf summit [358m] (SOTA SW-032) at 11:30 UTC; and Mynydd Drumau summit [272m] (SOTA SW-038) at 14:00 UTC. Activity will be on 40 meter CW, 5 meter SSB and 2 meter SSB. QSL via home call. [Tnx SOTA UK]

06/10/2005: Members of the Russian Robinson Club are proud to announce a DXpedition to Farquhar Island (AF-035) scheduled for October 6-8th. They will be using the call S79RRC/F. The team will be: Sergey RA3NAN (S79NAN), Eugene RZ3EC (S79EC) and Andy RZ3EM (S79RRC). For more details and updates, visit the Web page at: www.qso.ru/s79rrc [Tnx OPDX Bulletin]

08/10/2005: Members of Atacama Desert Dx Group will be active as 3G1M from Santa Maria Island (IOTA SA-069, rare!) October 8-10th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters (WARC included), plus 6 meters, SSB, CW, RTTY and BPSK31. Further information can be found at www.mdxc.org/3g1m . QSL via XQ1IDM, direct or bureau. [Tnx XQ1IDM]

08/10/2005: Enno, 9V1CW (PF5X), will be active October 8-10th as 9M2/PF5X from Sibu Island (AS-046) and from Langkawi Island (AS-058) between October 29th and November 5th. He will operate holiday style, mainly during his local evening hours. QSL via PA0KHS. [Tnx 425 DX News]

08/10/2005: URVO DX (EA8URV) members will be active October 8-9th from the Punta del Hidalgo Lighthouse (FEA 2835.5, ARLHS CAI-035, WLOTA 1276), located on Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004, DIE S-012, DME 38023, WW Loc. IL18UO). Activity will be on all HF bands. QSL via EA8URV. [Tnx F5NQL]

08/10/2005: Look for Francois (F5JNE) and Gerard (F6ICG) to be QRV as F5JNE/p October 8th from the Castle of Brinon (DFCF reference 58-072, DDCF 58-01 [new one]), in the city of Brinon sur Beuvron (CP 58420), Department of Nievre (58), Province of Burgundy. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters, propagation permitting. QSL via F5JNE, direct or through the bureau. SWL cards are welcome. [Tnx F5NQL]

08/10/2005: Salvatore IK1AWV/p will activate Chiesa Fortificata di Diano San Pietro (DCI reference IM-106 - New One! for the Italian Castles Award, WAIS CK09, WW Loc. JN43AW), Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM) on October 8th starting around 06:30 UTC. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IK1AWV]

08/10/2005: Look for Pietro IW3RUA/p to be active October 8-9th from three references for the Italian Castles Award (DCI), from Cividale of the Frili - Torre Porta Patriarcale di Cividale del Friuli (DCI UD-008); Torre di Cividale del Friuli (DCI UD-010); and Castello di Cronumbergo a Cividale del Friuli (DCI UD-011). All three references are located in the Region of Friuli Venezia Giulia, Province of Udine (UD), WW Loc. JN66RC. Activity will be on 40 meter SSB starting about 06:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx IW3RUA]

08/10/2005: Kenji, JA4GXS/4, will be active October 8th from Nishino Island (IOTA AS-041, JIIA AS-041-010), JA4 Oki Islands, Shimane Prefecture. Activity will be on 40-15 meter CW, around the usual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct (Kenji Sasaki, 2-15 Ishikannon-cyo, Yamaguchi-city, 753-0038 JAPAN) or through the JARL bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

08/10/2005: The Austin QRP Club (KQ5RP) will have an outing at McKinney Falls State Park, Texas, on October 8th. They will set up on picnic tables in the picnic area along the banks of Onion Creek, and will be active on various bands and with several calls. QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx Adventure Radio Society]

08/10/2005: Tomas, LY1DF, will be active October 8-9th as SV8/LY1DF/QRP from Aigina Island (IOTA EU-075, MIA MG-007 for the Mediterranean Islands Award). Activity will be CW only on 30 and 20 meters. QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

09/10/2005: Amateur Radio Club Station F6KNJ/p plans to activate the Castle of Lichtenberg (DFCF reference 67-021 for the French Castles Award) located on Alsace, French Deprtement 67, October 9th, in the morning. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5PRR]

09/10/2005: JN4MBO, JR4HHX/4, JA5BEX/4 will be active from Toyo Island (IOTA AS-117, JIIA AS-117-034), Hiroshima Prefecture October 9-10th. Look for activity on 3.5, 7, 10 and 14Mhz CW and SSB. There is also the possibility that they will also activate the Ituki Islands. QSL via home calls, direct or via the bureau. [Tnx JI6KVR]

09/10/2005: Ten members of the Mitsubishi Electric Tokyo ARC (JM1YGG) will be active as either KH0/JM1YGG and KH0/homecall from Rota, Mariana Islands (IOTA OC-086) October 9-12th. The operators will be JA1DFS, JA1IWP, JA1RNO, JA1RTG, JI1EOP, JJ1EWN, JN2AMD, JA3RAF, JF3IPR and JL3IJK, and they plan to operate on 160-6 meter CW, SSB and hopefully digital modes. QSL via JM1YGG, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

10/10/2005: Member of the Union Francaise des Telegraphistes, Benoit, F8PDR, will be 6W7/hc or 6W7xx, from South Senegal between October 10th and 19th. Activity from 80 to 10 meters, with emphasis on 80/40/30m and mainly in CW. QSL via the French REF Bureau or Direct (sae + 1 IRC or 2$) to: Benoit Le Bourgeois, Route de Chevry, F50420 Tessy / Vire, FRANCE. [Tnx F5NQL]

10/10/2005: Kevin Haworth, M0TNX, and Keith Radford, G3SZU, are planning to activate an extremely rare Worked All Britain square - SD35 - near the village of Knott End On Sea in Lancashire on 10 October this year. They believe that this will be only the third time that the square has been activated. The reason the square is so rarely activated is that it lies within Morecambe Bay and is therefore under water for much of the year. Kevin and Keith plan to be active from the square from 14:00 to 21:00 UTC on the 20/40/80/160m bands on both phone and CW. [Tnx

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10/10/2005: Serge, F6AML, plans a short trip to Mayotte (IOTA AF-027, DIFO FH-001), between October 10 to 14th. Activity will be on 40-10 meter CW and SSB, using the former TO7C frequencies. He will be using the call TX5M. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

12/10/2005: Dave G1OCN, Russell G5XW, Tim M3SDE and Ant MW0JZE will be active as GU1OCN, GU5XW, MU3SDE and MU0JZE from the island of Alderney (EU-114), the most northerly island of the Channel Islands group, October 12-19th. They plan to operate on all HF bands, 6 meters, VHF APRS, VHF/UHF SSB, hopefully with some satellite activity as well. This activity will also count for Alderney lighthouse (ARLHS GUE-004, WLOTA 0198). QSL MU3SDE via M3SDE, others via G5XW. [Tnx 425 DX News]

13/10/2005: Hans DL6JGN and Jan DJ8NK will be active as 5H1GHW and 5H1JCH, respectively, from October 13-20th (possibly with 5 addional days). There will also be an operation from Zanzibar Island (IOTA AF-032). Activity will be on 160-10 meters CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home callsigns. [Tnx OPDX Bulletin]

14/10/2005: Jan, 4X1VF, reports that the 4X7AZ operation from Akhziv Island (IOTA AS-100, MIR-001 for the Mediterranean Islands Award) has been rescheduled to take place October 14-15th. 4Z4KX, 4Z5LA, 4X6HP, 4Z5FI, 4Z4BS and 4X1VF plan to run three complete stations with one power amplifier on 40-10 meter CW and SSB, starting around 05:00 UTC on Friday through 14:00 UTC on Saturday. QSL via 4Z5LA. [Tnx 425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

22/10/2005: Ralph, NM5RC/p, expects to operate as many hours in the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 22-23) as he can, from a new Arizona island (USI AZ-019, Not IOTA). The island is on USI list with a preliminary number, but has not yet been activated. It is located at Lake Havasu, Colorado River, Mohave county, Arizona. So, Ralph will be using AZ-NEW during QSO Party. QSL cards will be sent to all contacts within 30 days of Party. Activity will be mainly 20 meters, but will also be on other bands if 20 meters dies or dries up. [Tnx NM5RC]

22/10/2005: The Surrey Amature Radio Club VE7SAR/p will be active from Barnston Island (CIsA BC-055, Not IOTA), British Columbia, Canada, for the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 22-23rd). Activity will be on all bands. QSL via VE7SAR, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx USI]

22/10/2005: Operators Rich WW8W, Steve N8NAE and Chris AA8CH will be active from Marina (aka Radio) Island (USI MI-New!), Berrien county, Michigan, for the W/VE Islands QSO Party (October 22-23rd). They will be using the call WW8W/p on 80-10 meters. QSL via WW8W, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx USI]

27/10/2005: Steve KB9GPN/p will be active from Washington Island (USI WI-001L, Not IOTA), Door county, Wisconsin, October 27-30th. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17 and 15 meter SSB, Hellschreiber, Olivia, MFSK, RTYY and BPSK31. Exact operating hours will depend on transport and band conditions. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx USI]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

01/10/2005: The Leeds Talking Magazine for the Blind will be on air every Monday night in October under the special callsign GB0LTM. The station will be operated from the Leeds and District Amateur Radio Society. QSL via G4LAD (QRZ.com). [Tnx GB2RS]

02/10/2005: The Thorpe Camp Museum Radio Station will be operating the special event callsign GB4TCM - Thorpe Camp Museum - for 28 days from October 2nd as part of the Jamboree on the Air weekend (October 15-16th) for scouts and guides. Lincolnshire scouts and guide groups are invited to visit the station during this period and will be helped to send messages around the world. QSL via GB4TCM (QRZ.com). Web site: www.beam.to/tcrm [Tnx GB2RS]

07/10/2005: The St Dunstan's Amateur Radio Society is marking the 90th anniversary of its founding as an organisation for blinded ex-servicemen and women with the special event callsign GB90STD over the week of October 7-14th. QSL via G3STD (QRZ.com). [Tnx GB2RS]

08/10/2005: Special event station W5C will operate October 8th and 9th, 12:00z - 24:00z for, the City of Carencro, Louisiana Centennial Celebration. Station W5C sponsored by the Acadiana Amateur Radio Assoc., Inc. W5C will be operating 7.240, 14.270, 21.320 and 28.340 MHz. Certificate SASE to QSL Manager NA5Q. Web site: www.w5ddl.org/w5c [Tnx eHam.net]

10/10/2005: XX OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES - The Regional Council for Piemonte and Valle d'Aosta of A.R.I. - Associazione Radioamatori Italiani sponsors the Torino 2006 Award for the XX Olympic Winter Games. Participation is open to licenced amateurs and SWLs throughout the world. In order to get the certificate, participants will have to contact the countries (DXCC Entities) that hosted the past editions of the Olympic Winter Games as well as the special event callsigns aired by the various ARI branches in the province of Torino. Contacts must be made between 10 October 2005 and 26 February 2006. Fifteen special callsigns representing the fifteen disciplines on the programme of the Olympic Winter Games will be aired by the the various ARI branches in the province of Torino in accordance with the following "approach march" schedule: October 10 - November 9, 2005 IO1ALP, IO1BIA, IO1BOB, IO1CRO and IO1CUR; November 10 - December 9, 2005 IO1FRE, IO1FSK, IO1HOC, IO1JUM and IO1LUG; December 10, 2005 - January 9, 2006 IO1NOR, IO1SHO, IO1SKE, IO1SNO and IO1SPE; January 10 - February 9, 2006 all of the previous calls. IO1ARI will be used by a few ARI branches in Piemonte Region, between October 10, 2005 and February 26, 2006, on the occasion of special olympic events (typically, the passing of the Olympic Torch Relay). II1OWG will be used by Torino ARI branch during the Games (February 10-26, 2006). All of the contacts shall be confirmed automatically via the bureau by the various ARI branches that will activate the special callsigns. The QSL manager for direct requests will be Mauro Pregliasco, I1JQJ. Further information is available at http://www.ari-r1.it/rules.htm [Tnx A.R.I. - Comitato Regionale Piemonte e Valle d'Aosta]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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